



National Weather Service Pittsburgh Student Volunteer Program – Summer 2022



Have the opportunity to experience what a career in the National Weather Service entails!

Please note: COVID-19 restrictions may prevent NWS Pittsburgh from hosting volunteers in person at the office at this time. Some activities listed below are affected by these restrictions, as it is possible that our summer program may need to be conducted remotely.

What might you do during your volunteer (unpaid) time?

- Gain familiarity with the forecast process for routine NWS public, river and aviation forecasts
- Complete and present an operationally oriented project focused on local-area research
- Apply classroom learning in an operational forecast setting
- Learn how to launch/conduct upper-air radiosonde observations
- Experience real-time severe weather operations at a forecast office
- Participate in external outreach – activities could include visiting a cooperative observation site, accompanying forecasters on a storm survey, staffing a NWS booth at local events

What types of (dedicated) students are we looking for?

- College meteorology majors who will be enrolled in an academic program in Fall 2022
 - ✓ *Students who are interested in exploring a NWS career¹*
- Students with flexible schedules
 - ✓ *Volunteer shifts will be completed on weekdays*
 - ✓ *Volunteers will be expected to work **3** shifts per week*

What does the application process involve?

- Applicants will be required to submit a resume, transcript (official or unofficial), application form and a brief cover letter that describes their motivation for applying
- Applications will be screened by NWS staff, with interviews for the top applicants

How do I submit an application?

- Start the process on our webpage at <https://www.weather.gov/pbz/studentvolunteer>
- Email your supplemental materials to matthew.kramar@noaa.gov, or mail your materials to Student Volunteer Team c/o NWS Pittsburgh, 192 Shafer Rd, Moon Township, PA, 15108
- **Applications will be accepted until Monday February 14th.**

Questions can be sent to Matthew Kramar, Science & Operations Officer at matthew.kramar@noaa.gov.

¹ Participation in this program neither guarantees nor requires a future job in the National Weather Service.